

## A Few Thoughts.

Since living in this city, I often have to think of Lot. You know he had been with that old patriarch, Abraham, for many years, but finally he left his old friend and went down to Sodom. I had been living with the Brethren at Milledgeville, for many years. Enjoyed the privileges of church and Sunday School, but finally I left them and went to Sodom—Dixon, Ill. Well, financially, I fare well enough, but you never realize the blessings of the church, of your choice, till you move away from it. Here in this city of some 8,000 inhabitants are only two members of the Brethren church. So if we want to attend church or Sunday School, we must go from home. We go all the same. The churches seem to be run by a perfect machine. At Sunday School I enjoy myself well.

Those of you who have lived all your life on a farm have no idea of the temptation of a city life. In particular for the young boys. Stay on the farm by all means if you want to be happy. You perhaps say, you cannot make more than a living on the farm these hard times. Well, you come to town and see how the town folks live and what they make before you move to town. Come in some hot evening as last week and you will go home satisfied. Don't stop at the front street where you see saloons and stores but go where the laborers live; get there about supper time. Boys, stay on the farm by all means. I was raised on a farm and worked and farmed till I was crippled, so I had to quit and do the next best thing. My happy days were on a farm and so will yours be if you stick to the farm.

The temptation in a city are ten-fold more to lead the young astray than they are on a farm. First the saloon and gambling halls, next secret societies, which are certainly an abomination in the sight of God.

I had a conversation with a prominent divine lately on the topic of secret orders. He admitted that they are sucking the very vitals out of the churches and are also a great evil. I heard him preach several times, but like Saul of old the people ware not touch it. Brethren do you reprove your congregations of sin and judgment to come or do you do like King Saul? If you do like Saul, do you expect to fare better than he?

A. BLOUGH.

Dixon, Ill.

It is claimed that on a vote taken to-day, Cincinnati would give 20,000 majority in favor of enforcing the Sunday closing law. The Sunday arrests for disorderly conduct and misdemeanors growing out of intemperance have already diminished more than fifty percent.

## Consumption Cured.

An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma, and all throat and lung affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge, to all who desire it, this recipe, in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. NOYES, 149 Power's Block, Rochester, N.Y.

No grace is more necessary to the Christian worker than fidelity—the humble grace that marches on in sunshine and storm, when no others are waving.

The sweeping tempest and the beating surge teach the mariner to prize the haven where undisturbed repose awaits his arrival. In like manner, afflictions, crosses, anxieties teach us to long for those happy mansions where all tears will be wiped away, and nothing, nothing subsist, but the "fullness of joy and pleasures for evermore,"

HERVEY.

## I. O. O. F. Cheap Excursion to Columbus, O. via B. &amp; O. R. R.

On September 15, 16, 17 and 18th the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad will sell excursion tickets from Mansfield to Columbus and return at \$2.15 and at correspondingly low rates from other stations, valid for return passage to and including September 25, 1889.

The annual session of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F. of the United States, will be held September 16 to 21. Grand parade and review of Patriarchs Militant, Wednesday, Sept. 18th, and competitive drills and dress parades of Cantons and Battalions, September 16th to 20th. \$4,525 offered in prizes. Cantons in full uniform from all parts of the United States will compete.

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The Twentieth Annual Reunion of the Army of the Cumberland will be held at Chattanooga, Tenn., Sept. 18th to 20th, 1889. The programme mapped out by the committee will include visits to the famous battlefields of Lookout Mountain, Orchard Knob, Mission Ridge and others in the immediate vicinity of Chattanooga; a reunion of Blue and Gray veterans on the battlefield of Chickamauga; reviews, camp-fires, banquets, fire-works, and other features of interest to the old soldier and citizen.



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## Sowing Seed.

None of the descriptions used in the Scripture to describe the sowing of seed imply the exercise of great power or energy. The seed fell by the wayside. The seed is cast into the ground. Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die it abideth alone. The seed drops. It falls. It is not sunk into a hole made by a crow-bar, nor driven into the earth by a pile-driver. 'Some fell on good ground.' Little hands can drop seed. It requires no machinery, and very little skill.

So, in sowing the Word of God, the process is simple and within the power of a child. Little strength, little labor, little money may serve to do the work. A letter may be written, a tract given, a word spoken, a tear shed, and so the seed may be sown. "Blessed are they that sow by all waters."

Let every Christian seek by God's help to be a sower. "The sower soweth the Word." Be sure of the seed. See that it is good seed; then it shall bring forth fruit unto holiness, and the end thereof shall be everlasting life.

## Annual Harvest Excursion to the West and Valley of Virginia via B. &amp; O.

September 10th, 24th, and October 8th, the B. & O. will sell tickets to principle points in the West, Northwest, South and Southwest, and via Harper's Ferry to the Historic Valley of Virginia, at one fare for the round trip, good returning 30 days. For route and tickets apply to B. & O. agents.

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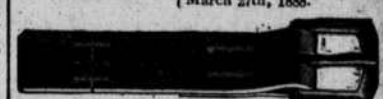
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